

## HE TOOK FRENCH LEAVE

ADMIRAL ELAMORNAIX DEPARTS  
FROM ST. JOHN'S.

### He Demanded the Return of Goods Seized by the Government, Which Was Re- fused—Britain's Part in It.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., July 11.—This colony is threatened with more serious complications arising out of the French shore question. The French flag-ship *Naiade*, Admiral Elamornaix, arrived here on Sunday to participate in the anniversary of the establishment of the French Republic Friday next, and also to arrange the recent difficulty over the French shore.

Five weeks ago the French lobster packers imported a large quantity of implements on the British steamer Harlow to Boone bay. They refused to pay duties thereon, claiming that Frenchmen's goods were exempt. The Newfoundland Government seized the goods for non-payment of duties and the goods were sold to the Government. The French Admiral yesterday morning had a conference with the Governor and the Executive Council. He demanded the return of the goods. The Governor refused, and he gave them until 12 noon to make an answer. None arriving at that hour, he hoisted his anchor and left the port, refusing to attend a dinner arranged in his honor that evening and a ball Wednesday.

The British flag-ship Cleopatra, Commander Curzon Howe, also came here.

to receive the Nalade. The Cleopatra's officers are indignant at the action of the French admiral, and threatened all sorts of terrible things.

Admiral Elamornaix has gone to St. Pierre to report to the Governor; thence he will sail to the French shore. The Cleopatra awaits instructions from England, and will then follow the Naiade.

It is believed that the matter will result in considerable friction, possibly an outbreak when the two war-ships meet.

**WANTS \$2,500 DAMAGES.**  
**Ex-Clerk Walter Holt Brings Suit Against**  
**G. Wray Booker—Other News.**

Walter Holt, ex-deputy clerk of the court, entered suit yesterday against G. Wray Booker, a recently elected council-

man, charging false imprisonment, and claiming \$2,500 damages. Both are young men of high social standing. Booker, as councilman, is ex-officio a magistrate, and

up to yesterday was acting mayor. Sauntering along King street last Saturday night he met Holt carrying a large pail of whisky punch, and accompanied by one or two companions. With a keen

one or two companions, with a keen sense of the high responsibilities of his new official functions, Booker, suspecting some conspiracy against the peace and dignity of "Crabtown," if not of

the Commonwealth, immediately started a judicial investigation by inquiring as to the contents of the pail. Holt, entirely forgetful of the respect due to a council-

man, and acting mayor, replied that it was none of his — business; further parley followed, when Booker finally vindicated the offended majesty of the law by ordering his policeman Carter to forth-

by ordering big Policeman Carter to take Holt with convey the irreverent Holt to jail, whence he was bailed a half hour later, 'Squire E. B. Chiles going surety for him. The case came up before Mayor Brown

yesterday, who dismissed the original complaint, but held the case over for further examination upon the charge of carrying concealed weapons, a pistol

being found on Holt's person after his arrest. The case being resumed to-day, Holt was sent on to the grand jury upon this last charge.

Since the suit was instituted it has developed that Booker is probably ineligible to office, having been engaged as second in a somewhat famous duel that was carried on here about four or five years

ried on the noon train of five years ago, his disabilities never having been removed. The records of the clerk's office show that Booker did not sign the oath in the usual place, but on the line

between the clause in reference to supporting the constitution, &c., and the anti-duelling clause, though the order book shows that he took and subscribed

the usual oath, having qualified in open court. Amusing, if not tragic, developments are anticipated by the public before the curtain falls on the final scene.

Baker P. Lee, Jr., a son of Major Baker P. Lee, read the services at St. John's church last Sunday. In the absence of the

rector, Rev. J. J. Gravatt. He is an attractive and impressive reader. He is preparing for the ministry of the Episcopal Church.

The Third Partyites will meet in Wythe and Chesapeake districts on the evening of the 22d, to elect delegates to the Lynchburg convention. A leading light in the

party informs your correspondent there will probably be no meeting in Hampton, as they would not be able to get anybody to go from here.

OAKLAND, VA., July 11.—Special.—I send you a resolution adopted by the Louisa County Alliance, at its July meet-

Resolved, That we oppose the repeal of the law known as the Sherman law for the purchase of silver bullion, unless

prior to or coupled with such repeal Congress will place silver on the same basis as before its demonetization with its ratio of 16 to 1 of gold.

**Only One Accepts the Offer.**  
WASHINGTON, July 11.—There was but one response to Acting Director Pres-

ton's counter proposition to the silver brokers yesterday, and that was limited to an offer of 100,000 ounces of silver at 71 1/2 cents per ounce. This came from New York by telegraph after the close of

**RANGE OF THERMOMETER**

Range of thermometer at The Times office yesterday, July 11, 1893: 9 A. M., 76; 12 M., 84; 3 P. M., 86; 6 P. M., 82; 9 P. M., 73; midnight, 73. Average, 78 1-2.

**WEATHER FORECAST.**  
WASHINGTON, D. C., July 11.—For  
Virginia and North Carolina: Fair.

Weather Conditions and General Forecast—The area of low pressure continues central over North Dakota, and the con-

ditions continue threatening for severe local storms in the Missouri Valley and Minnesota. The temperature is unusually high, attended by strong southerly

winds over the eastern slope from Texas northward. The barometer is highest on the Middle Atlantic Coast. The pressure has increased during the past twenty-four hours in the Atlantic Coast.

ty-four hours in the Atlantic Coast district, but it has decreased in the lake regions and northwest. Fair weather prevails except in the southern portions of the South Atlantic and East Gulf

States, near Lake Superior and in Montana, where showers are reported. It is warmer, except over the plateau regions and near Lake Superior, where the

temperature has fallen from 5 degrees to 2 degrees. Fair weather will continue in New England, the Middle Atlantic States, the Ohio and Central Minnesota

Valleys and the interior of the Southern States, with warmer southerly winds,